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From: HarborComments <HarborComments@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 2:11 PM
To: PortlandHarbor
Subject: FW: Get the Poison out of our River

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"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

Please Note: I am currently on detail to the EPA Region 10 office in Portland, Oregon until July 23, 2016. Thank you!

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From: KnowWho Services [mailto:noreply@knowwho.services]
Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 11:37 AM
To: HarborComments <HarborComments@epa.gov>
Subject: Get the Poison out of our River

Dear Portland Harbor Cleanup Public Comments,

Dear Ms. McCarthy and Members of Congress,

The proposed cleanup of Portland Harbor is a big win for industry and a bad deal for the public. EPA's cleanup proposal tackles just 8% of a site area that is 100% toxic.

A more aggressive plan is needed to prevent even more harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment and culture, I urge the EPA to implement a plan that:

- Moves quickly and sustainably reduces contaminants causing harm to Willamette and Columbia River resources
- Includes ongoing monitoring and cleanup upriver and downriver from the site
- Contributes to healthy fish that are safe to eat for all people
- Holds polluters accountable for creating a safer Portland Harbor

These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve.

And I deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor. I find it extremely offensive that government agencies, federal, state and local, have for decades, turned a blind eye to corporations, and yes, even government agencies, that operated with a free rein to discharge toxic pollutants into our rivers and bays. The Portland harbor "Cleanup" is nothing more than a cost saving cover up. The material that would be removed is scheduled to be dumped along the beaches of Sauvie Island, in front of homes and along the area used by fish returning to their spawning habitat. Please halt the implementation of the current plan and insist on a plan that works for everybody, not just for the polluters.

Sincerely,

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